

August 1, 1941.

Mr. S. H. Posey,
508 Dixon St.,
Homestead, Pa.

Dear Posey:

I have just read your letter over for the third time and you can't imagine how it please me. It makes me feel that at last we may get some place. If The Eagles and The Grays can get together, as this letter indicates, maybe Negro Baseball will have a chance. With us divided and fighting each other, we are playing right in the hands of these smart men who see the possibility our baseball offers, and who are trying hard to set it up. If they are not stopped now, there won't be any stopping them. There is no doubt about the fact they are taking advantage of a lot of inexperienced business men and are hitting from all sides. There are too many details and angles to go into in a letter as you know, but we can agree to get together for our own good, and the good of Negro baseball.

Now first of all about the 31st, I will gladly release The Cubans to you, and take the Yankees in their place. Our big problem is going to be The Yankees. They belong to Leuschner, body and soul. If they agree to the change I will really be surprised. When I tried to give you a good men in New York (Bob Douglas), you out voted me. Well that is so much water under the bridge. What we are trying to do is go on from here. Please let me hear from you right away, as I must order my placards for the 31st. I am writing Semler, Pompez and Gottlieb today agreeing to the change. If it is not made, you can blame Semler alone.

Now a change I would not agree to. I had a phone call yesterday from Gottlieb. As you know we are scheduled in Yankee Stadium Aug. 24th vs. The Stars, Gottlieb asked me to let Kansas City come in The Stadium in his place and pay Satchell \$300.00. You know my answer. It is too long to go into here, but that Kansas City- Satchell mess makes me ill. Those two white men have decided we Negroes are just puddy in their hands. I don't know what will eventually be done about the 24th. After all you all permitted Wilkerson to take Satchell from me, and Gottlieb tie Yankee Stadium up, but I really believe if The Posey's and Sonnyman make up their minds to, and The Eagles join them, they can stop Gottlieb, Wilkerson, Leuschner, Saperstien and all the other Jews who want to join them where Negro Baseball is concerned.

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Mr. S. H. Posey,
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I think we have all invested enough, it should be worth a trip to get together, either you all come East or we come West.

About Aug. 17th, why don't you take us in Detroit. I certainly would hate to see Phila and Yanks have it. The fans would probably see Negro Baseball as its worse.

About the Presidents of Negro Baseball, please get Tom out of there this year. It is really tragic to have a business as big as this being run by someone like Tom. He is really Gottlieb's stooge. I asked Sonnyman one year to accept Chairmanship, he refused. Well I really wish Abe or I was Chairman, one thing sure we couldn't be any worse, and I promise you these Jews would be stopped in their tracks. If the League Members would co-operate, Gum's job should be a year around thing, which would be worthwhile. Publicity should be going on all Winter, but how can we ever hope to be able to do things like this, if we don't get some money in the treasury. The 10% Gottlieb puts in his pocket, and Saperstien puts in his, would set up a nice treasury. We could go places and do things. Lets get together before it is too late.

About Sept. 14th, I will let you know all details by Tuesday, August 5th.

About July 20th and Satchell, that is really a disgrace. After agreeing to come play, Kansas City is supposed to have gone back on their word and demanded money for Satchell. That is just a demonstration of how little respect those white men have for we Negroes. I am so insulted I don't know what to say, but what can I do alone. If The Grays will team up with us for the good of Negro Baseball, we can win this fight. Wait until I tell you some of the things the Booking Agents have done to me this year. I hope they won't be able to do them another year.

I repeat don't look for any co-operation from Semler if it is means defying Leuschner, on the other hand I will be glad to turn the Cubans loose on the 31st and take Semler or some other team. Whatever we do please let me know at once.

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Mr. S. H. Posey
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When can we get together for a talk?

Very truly yours,

EM:CCJ

P. S. Please let us know where we are playing each night, so we can make reservations in advance for the team. Also give me the names & addresses of any Hotels you know in these places.

Just received a phone call that the game on the 11th will be played in York instead of Harrisburg.